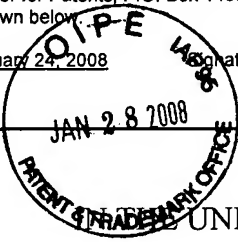


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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 24, 2007, for which a response was due on October 24, 2007, and for which a three-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from October 24, 2007 to January 24, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

There are no amendments to the specification or drawings.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

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